

Holy Family
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Frankston North
Carrum Downs
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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year B

REFLECTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Today we continue to read from the Gospel of Mark. Recall that last week we heard Jesus chastise his disciples for their argument about who among them was the greatest. Jesus taught them that the greatest among them will be those who serve the least ones. In today's Gospel, the disciple John questions Jesus about an unknown exorcist who was driving out demons in Jesus' name. John's question might have been motivated by jealousy. Previously in Mark's Gospel, Jesus healed a boy whom the disciples had been unable to heal. John's question is further evidence that the disciples have not yet grasped Jesus' words to them. They continue to compare themselves to others who seem to have greater healing powers, and they do not want to share the power of Jesus' name with others.

Today the demon possession described in the Gospels might be seen as a form of mental illness, but the need for healing these syndromes was as real then as it is now. Exorcism was a common practice in first-century Palestine. Some people had the power to heal the symptoms of possession. One of the strategies used was to invoke the name of a person or figure who was believed to have the power to heal.

The disciples observed that the unknown exorcist invoked Jesus' name and was successful in his healing efforts. This unknown healer recognized the power of Jesus' name, yet he was not a follower of Jesus. In his reply to his disciples, Jesus acknowledges that deeds of faith can precede the words of faith. He also teaches that the disciples should not be reluctant to share Jesus' healing powers with others.

Later in this Gospel, Jesus teaches us not to create obstacles for those who are just beginning to have faith but to encourage even the smallest signs of faith. The Greek word used here for sin also connotes "stumbling" or "causing scandal." In vivid terms Jesus teaches his disciples the consequences to those who would put obstacles before people who are on the road to faith.

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This week Feast Days

St Vincent De Paul on the 27th , the Archangels on the 29th September & the Guardian angel on the 2nd October.



Our parish respectfully acknowledges the Bunurong people, who are the custodians of the Boon Wurrung land on which we worship. We acknowledge and pay respect to the Elders; past, present and future.

THANKSGIVING OPTIONS

If you are able to send your thanksgiving offerings via direct debit to: St. Anne's Church, National Australia Bank/CDF Account, **BSB Number: 083 347, Account No: 64340 4615.**

Please include your Thanksgiving Number if you have one and/or your name, also your banking reference marked as "Col1" (Collection 1) for parish expenses and "Col2" (Collection 2) for our parish priest/and retired priests in the Archdiocese. Online direct contributions, either one-off or recurring, can be made through CDFPay (**NEW LINK**): <https://bit.ly/CDFpaySeaford>

VINNIES DONATIONS

If you would like to assist our Vinnies Seaford Conference with Your donations Please use the below bank account details.

BSB: 063-000

Acc no: 1031-7778

Account name: St Anne's

Seaford 304

All donations will be used towards local families in need.



An Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritual-ly into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen.***

'If anyone gives you water to drink because you belong to Christ, I tell you, he will most certainly not lose his reward!

JESUS, MARK 9:41



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O Angel of God

My Guardian dear
to whom God's love commits me here.
Ever this day be at my side,
to light and guard, to rule and guide
Amen

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year B **26th Sunday in Ordinary time**

1st Reading: Num 11:25-29
Responsorial Psalm: The Precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.
2nd Reading: James 5: 1-6
Gospel: Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48

We are very grateful to all the Parishioners for their continued support and Thanksgiving donations.



"Child Safety is Everyone's Responsibility"

Welcome to St Anne's Parish, where we foster the well being and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All our parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, Please contact me. Thanks, Sumitha (Safeguarding Officer).

Catholic Theological College

Graduate Certificate in Teaching Meditation
free Zoom Information Session
Date & Time: Saturday 12 October at 7.00pm – 7.30pm
Presenters:
Rev. Assoc. Prof. John Dupuche and Dr Chris Morris
Enquiries: Jenny Delahunt
T: 9412 3333 E: jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au
W: ctc.edu.au/open-days/

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year B **27th Sunday in Ordinary time**

1st Reading: Gen 2: 18-24
Responsorial Psalm: May The Lord bless us all the days of our lives.
2nd Reading: Heb 2: 9-11
Gospel: Mk 10: 2-16

The Holy Family

Seaford

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The Holy Family 2021 Magazine

The editorial team has become aware that people aren't sure of what program is best for writing articles. It is suggested that Microsoft Word or LibreOffice (free software) is ideal. Wordpad or Notepad can also be used, as they are part of Windows. However, these are very limited in their scope. We suggest that a computer be used to type the document, as portable devices can make this process far more difficult than it should be. Please contact the office or the editor at fbartosy@gmail.com. You may also phone 0490358121 if you have any questions. You may find the previous edition - **2020 The Holy Family Issue 3** here at: <https://stannes.com.au/newsletters/>



Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish especially **Trish Falk, Jenniev Beechhey-Garden, Christina Toleafoa, Sister, Diane Clark, Mathew McCue, Jenny Buchy Garlen**. We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time & for all who have died recently especially **Frances Mary Zervaas and Norma Evelyn Presa**.
Rest in Peace.

Dear Parishioners,

What a week in Melbourne

We are preparing this newsletter because Friday is a public holiday.

Primer announced Road map out of lockdown on last Sunday. Some say it's a road block! Of course there are some inconsistency with what is been proposed. Everything will become clear close to the date. As far as the parish is concerned our church could be opened on 5th of November, for double vaccinated 150 people. Hope we can resume by then. Let us be optimistic.

This week main roads in the city were blocked by construction workers. As I write this (on Wednesday) there are demonstrations going on in the city. Covid vaccines becomes a sort of mandatory for all areas of life. This will have an impact on our community as well. I am concerned of the parishioners who can't be vaccinated due to various health reasons. It is not they don't want to but they cannot. Hope the government will come up with a plan for those who can't be vaccinated.

Most of us were shocked on Wednesday morning of earthquake in our area. It was first experience for me. My house was shaking, walls and door were moving. First I thought it was wind. When I looked out of the window there was no sign of wind and birds were making notice. Then I realized it was earthquake. So far our parish properties are safe. I hope you are all safe.

AFL Grand Final

This weekend is also AFL final, though not here in Melbourne. We only can watch in on the screen. We are all disrupted with Covid 19 Virus that we can't just do what we normally do. We wish both teams good luck.

Mission Update: We had our southern meeting on 7th September. There were not much new information shared, except we now know what parishes we will be joining as Mission. Parishes of Frankston, Langwarrin and us are those parishes designed by the archdiocese to be one Mission.

Our next step will be calling for two coordinators from our parish who will be working with the diocesan team.

We have not received any concerns or questions again this week. You may be pondering what is this all about. That is ok. Are you interested to become a coordinator? Please call or email the office. We have not received any expression of interest for this week also.

We get the sense that many are not reading the newsletter or checking our website. If that is the case, let us try to look for it when we are able gather as community face to face. What do you think?

Let us enter into a period of deep prayerful reflection and when we are allowed to gather as community for Mass, we will have the opportunities to discern.

We can imagine many questions rising in your minds about this. Please contact the office for any concern or comments.

We have created a page in our website for Mission, so parishioners can track what is happening around this area.

Chris Long, Sumitha Moses.

For Information please go to the Archdiocesan website. This page will be updated regularly.

The Parish Resource Pack is available at this Link: <https://melbournecatholic.org/about/mission/parish-resources>

Stays safe & God bless

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

Lockdown Light—a weekly series

A weekly series bringing 'light' to this time of lockdown ...

Well and truly done with sourdough starters? Not interested in another DIY project? To help fill the void during lockdown, each week we'll suggest some inspiring content to bring 'light' to this difficult time. Pop on the kettle and check out the recommendations at www.bit.ly/LockdownLight



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RCIA Ministry

It's a really wonderful ministry to guide people who want to know Jesus. We are looking for volunteers to lead sessions for RCIA. We have received one interest from our parishioner. Hoping to get one more volunteer. If you are interested let us know.

Pastoral Letter

Archbishop Peter has sent us a Pastoral Letter regarding the application of *Traditionis Custodes* in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. It's about 1962 Mass or otherwise called Latin Mass. Its five pages document, so you can find it in our website: <https://stannes.com.au/catholic-archdiocese-of-melbourne-cam-news/>



Our Parish Prayer

*We, the people of Seaford Parish
strive to be followers of Jesus
by being a welcoming and
supportive community
in which the talents
of all can grow
and in which we live out
our faith through word,
sacrament and action.
May the Holy Family
St Anne and St Joachim
inspire and intercede for us
that we may be followers of
Jesus.
Amen.*



Novena prayer to St Joseph

O Saint Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interest and desires. O Saint Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; So that having engaged here below your Heavenly power I may offer my thanksgiving and Homage to the most loving of Fathers.

O Saint Joseph, I never weary contemplate you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he repose near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath, Saint Joseph, Patron of departing souls, Pray for us.

Amen

Piety Stall -News from St Anne's Kiosk

Leaflets- How to Pray the Rosary with meditations on each mystery

\$ 1.00 each. 2022 Columbian Calendars \$10.00 each

Diamond Art kit – Virgin and child \$15.50

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Please let the office or myself know if you would like any of the above we put one aside for you for purchase when we return to church.

Patricia Morecroft 8759 3887

GREETERS REQUIRED

Weekend Masses would be difficult to hold without greeters (now known as COVID Check-in Marshals) to ensure that people are marked off our lists and that they use our QR code to sign in. If you are interested in assisting your parish to have Masses with more than a small number of people in the church, why not help us with being a greeter? Simply email Frank at fbartosy@gmail.com or see him when you walk into the church on the weekend (once restrictions ease). Training provided.

**Fr Martin will say his private
Mass everyday with the Mass
intention offered by you and will
keep all the parishioners of St
Anne's Parish in his Prayers.**

